TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1952 – SB 2337

March 15, 2022

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes individuals who are at least 18 years of age, have a valid driver's license, and have completed an emergency vehicle operations class to be eligible for service as an ambulance driver or operator. Removes any additional specialty endorsement requirement for ambulance personnel.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Revenue - \$200/FY22-23 and Subsequent Years

Assumptions:

- The proposed legislation removes the requirement for ambulance personnel to obtain a Class D License with For-Hire Endorsement. A Class D Driver's License with For-Hire Endorsement has a license cost and application fee of \$4.50 per applicant.
- According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, as of May 2020 there were 440 ambulance drivers and attendants in Tennessee.
- The proposed legislation removes the requirement for a For-Hire Endorsement. Therefore, this would result in a potential loss of state revenue of \$1,980 (440 ambulance drivers and attendants x \$4.50 applicant fee).
- Class D driver's license are required to be renewed every eight years. Therefore, the decrease in state revenue each year, beginning in FY22-23, is estimated to be \$248 (\$1,980 / 8 years).
- It is assumed that the proposed legislation will not significantly impact the number of ambulance personnel to significantly impact the operations of the Medical Services Board.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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